

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: <b>Yih-Shin Tan et al.</b>	§	Attorney Docket No. <b>RSW920030276US1</b>
	§	<b>(5577-290)</b>
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Serial No.: <b>10/772,135</b>	§	Examiner: <b>Michael E. Keefer</b>
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Filed: February 4, 2004	§	Confirmation No.: <b>4257</b>
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For: <b>METHOD, SYSTEMS, AND</b>	§	Art Unit: <b>2154</b>
<b>COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT</b>	§	
<b>FOR CONFIGURING RULES FOR</b>	§	
<b>SERVICE NODES IN GRID SERVICE</b>	§	
<b>ARCHITECTURE SYSTEMS</b>	§	

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Reply is submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2008, having a shortened statutory period ending April 23, 2008. Please charge any fees necessary to further the prosecution of the present application to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account Number 09-0461**.

**Amendments to the Claims**, if any, are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this paper.